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reported for the prior month. The report of any handler who has not made payments required pursuant to §1131.71 for the preceding month shall not be included in the computation of these prices, and such handler's report shall not be included in the computation for succeeding months until the handler has made full payment of outstanding monthly obligations.

(a) *Uniform butterfat price.* The uniform butterfat price per pound, rounded to the nearest one-hundredth cent, shall be computed by:

(1) Multiplying the pounds of butterfat in producer milk allocated to each class pursuant to §1000.44(b) by the respective class butterfat prices;

(2) Adding the butterfat value calculated in §1131.60(e) for other source milk allocated to Class I pursuant to §1000.43(d) and the steps of §1000.44(b) that correspond to §1000.44(a)(3)(i) and §1000.44(a)(8) by the Class I price; and

(3) Dividing the sum of paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section by the sum of the pounds of butterfat in producer milk and other source milk used to calculate the values in paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section.

(b) *Uniform skim milk price.* The uniform skim milk price per hundredweight, rounded to the nearest cent, shall be computed as follows:

(1) Combine into one total the values computed pursuant to §1131.60 for all handlers;

(2) Add an amount equal to the minus location adjustments and subtract an amount equal to the plus location adjustments computed pursuant to §1131.75;

(3) Add an amount equal to not less than one-half of the unobligated balance in the producer-settlement fund;

(4) Subtract the value of the total pounds of butterfat for all handlers. The butterfat value shall be computed by multiplying the sum of the pounds of butterfat in producer milk and other source milk used to calculate the values in paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section by the butterfat price computed in paragraph (a) of this section;

(5) Divide the resulting amount by the sum of the following for all handlers included in these computations:

(i) The total skim pounds of producer milk; and

(ii) The total skim pounds for which a value is computed pursuant to §1131.60(e); and

(6) Subtract not less than 4 cents and not more than 5 cents.

(c) *Uniform price.* The uniform price per hundredweight, rounded to the nearest cent, shall be the sum of the following:

(1) Multiply the uniform butterfat price for the month pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section times 3.5 pounds of butterfat; and

(2) Multiply the uniform skim milk price for the month pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section times .965.

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§ 1131.62 Announcement of uniform prices.

On or before the 11th day after the end of the month, the market administrator shall announce the uniform prices for the month computed pursuant to §1131.61.

PAYMENTS FOR MILK

§ 1131.70 Producer-settlement fund.

See §1000.70.

§ 1131.71 Payments to the producer-settlement fund.

Each handler shall make payment to the producer-settlement fund in a manner that provides receipt of the funds by the market administrator no later than the 13th day after the end of the month (except as provided in §1000.90). Payments due the market administrator shall be deemed not to have been made until the money owed has been received at the market administrator's office, or deposited into the market administrator's bank account. Payment shall be the amount, if any, by which the amount specified in paragraph (a) of this section exceeds the amount specified in paragraph (b) of this section:

(a) The total value of milk to the handler for the month as determined pursuant to §1131.60.

(b) The sum of:

(1) The value at the uniform prices for skim milk and butterfat, adjusted for plant location, of the handler's receipts of producer milk; and

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(2) The value at the uniform price as adjusted pursuant to § 1131.75 applicable at the location of the plant from which received of other source milk for which a value is computed pursuant to § 1131.60(e).

§ 1131.72 Payments from the producer-settlement fund.

No later than the 14th day after the end of each month (except as provided in § 1000.90), the market administrator shall pay to each handler the amount, if any, by which the amount computed pursuant to § 1131.71(b) exceeds the amount computed pursuant to § 1131.71(a). If, at such time, the balance in the producer-settlement fund is insufficient to make all payments pursuant to this section, the market administrator shall reduce uniformly such payments and shall complete the payments as soon as the funds are available.

§ 1131.73 Payments to producers and to cooperative associations.

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, each handler shall make payment to each producer from whom milk is received during the month as follows:

(1) *Partial Payment.* For each producer who has not discontinued shipments as of the 25th day of the month, payment shall be made so that it is received by the producer on or before the 27th day of each month (except as provided in § 1000.90) for milk received from such producer during the first 15 days of the month at not less than 1.3 times the lowest class price for the preceding month less proper deductions authorized in writing by the producer.

(2) *Final payment.* For milk received during the month, a payment computed as follows shall be made so that it is received by each producer one day after the payment date required in § 1131.72:

(i) Multiply the hundredweight of producer skim milk received times the uniform skim milk price for the month;

(ii) Multiply the pounds of producer butterfat received times the uniform butterfat price for the month;

(iii) Multiply the hundredweight of producer milk received times the plant

location adjustment pursuant to § 1131.75; and

(iv) Add the amounts computed in paragraph (a)(2)(i), (ii), and (iii) of this section, and from that sum:

(A) Subtract the partial payment made pursuant to paragraph (a)(1) of this section;

(B) Subtract the deduction for marketing services pursuant to § 1000.86;

(C) Add or subtract for errors made in previous payments to the producer, subject to approval by the market administrator; and

(D) Subtract proper deductions authorized in writing by the producer.

(b) Two days prior to the dates on which partial and final payments are due pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, each handler shall pay a cooperative association for milk received as follows:

(1) *Partial payment to a cooperative association for bulk milk received directly from producers' farms.* For bulk milk (including the milk of producers who are not members of such association and who the market administrator determines have authorized the cooperative association to collect payment for their milk) received during the first 15 days of the month from a cooperative association in any capacity except as the operator of a pool plant, the payment shall be an amount not less than 1.3 times the lowest class price for the preceding month multiplied by the hundredweight of milk.

(2) *Partial payment to a cooperative association for milk transferred from its pool plant.* For bulk fluid milk products and bulk fluid cream products received during the first 15 days of the month from a cooperative association in its capacity as the operator of a pool plant, the partial payment shall be at the pool plant operator's estimated use value of the milk using the most recent class prices available for skim milk and butterfat at the receiving plant's location.

(3) *Final payment to a cooperative association for milk transferred from its pool plant.* For bulk fluid milk products and bulk fluid cream products received during the month from a cooperative association in its capacity as the operator of a pool plant, the final payment shall be the classified value of such milk as determined by multiplying the pounds